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Mr. Ides van der Gracht  
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Dear Mr. van der Gracht,

This is in answer to your kind letter of 9 July and to give you the latest on our upcoming Dutch gathering.

First, I know that you are directly in touch with Jan Laverge and with C.C. van den Heuvel. And I know of the excellent cooperation/coordination of their efforts.

This is to confirm that we will be having a Veterans of OSS cocktail reception (approximately 5:30 p.m.) at the Army Navy Club in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, October 7 in honor of the Dutch resistance delegation paying our country a visit in celebration of the 200 years of amity between our two countries. It is contemplated that at this reception Prince Bernhard will decorate some half dozen U.S. individuals who worked in different capacities with the Dutch (to include MELANIE, agents recruited by MELANIE and JEDBURGHs) -- and we are most happy that you will be able to arrange to be present to receive your most deserved decoration as Chief of the OSS Mission to the Netherlands. Incidentally, I'm sure that Laverge will also be decorated as well as two of your NCOs.

As I am leaving this week for France (to, among other things, attend the August 15th ANVIL/DRAGOON anniversary, etc.) and will not be back until the end of August, may I suggest that you keep in touch with Jan in case you arrive before I get back and/or have any other thoughts on the proceedings.

In the meantime, it was most pleasant to hear from you. I am looking forward to meeting you this Fall -- and perhaps having the pleasure of recruiting you for VSS!

With all best wishes,

Yours truly,

*Geoffrey M. T. Jones*  
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